

IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-12 (cancelled).

13. (New) A method for use in a system for adjusting climate control in a vehicle before a user re-enters the vehicle, comprising:

receiving first information concerning a time when a user re-enters the vehicle;

receiving second information concerning a desired temperature in the vehicle at the re-entry time; and

determining a second time from which the climate control is operated to effect the desired temperature in the vehicle at the re-entry time, the second time being earlier than the re-entry time and determined based at least on a temperature in the vehicle at the second time.

14. (New) The method of claim 13 wherein the second time is determined based also on a temperature outside the vehicle at the second time.

15. (New) The method of claim 13 wherein one of the first and second information is received via remote communication.

16. (New) The method of claim 15 wherein the remote communication includes a telephone communication.

17. (New) The method of claim 15 wherein the remote communication includes a radio frequency (RF) communication.

18. (New) A system for adjusting climate control in a vehicle before a user re-enters the vehicle, comprising:

an interface for receiving first information concerning a time when a user re-enters the vehicle, and second information concerning a desired temperature in the vehicle at the re-entry time; and

a processor for determining a second time from which the climate control is operated to effect the desired temperature in the vehicle at the re-entry time, the second time being earlier than the re-entry time and determined based at least on a temperature in the vehicle at the second time.

19. (New) The system of claim 18 wherein the second time is determined based also on a temperature outside the vehicle at the second time.

20. (New) The system of claim 18 wherein one of the first and second information is received via remote communication.

21. (New) The system of claim 20 wherein the remote communication includes a telephone communication.

22. (New) The system of claim 20 wherein the remote communication includes an RF communication.